Subject: Hungarian coinage

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NAGY JENŐ
New York város nyug. mérnöke
az „American European Fellowship" missionárus Képviselője
Hódmezővásárhely
Zrinyi-u. 71/a.

Hungary
April 21,1933

American Numismatic Society
Broadway &156 th Street
New York City

Dear Members:

For the purpose of introducing myself let me say that after forty years in the United States I retired as acivil engineer and came to Hungary a few years ago as a self-supporting christian missionary representing the American European-Fellowship of 156 Fifth Ave.New York City.-And now to the subject:

Last month on the 9 th of March,a peasant young man while digging for the Spring sowing on the Rom.Cath.church property(farm)in this town dug up a few ancient silver coins contained in an earthen vessel.This finding is recorded in the Mayor's office in this town and may be verified by letter any time.I was fortunate in securing a few of these silver coins from the finder.The list of the silver coins in my possession is as follows:(names quite clear on all)

1-St.Stephan,first christian king of Hungary;reigned from the year -997 until 1038.Hence coin is almost 900 years old but it may be 936 years old.

2-King Peter of Hungary,reigned from 1038 until 1046 Coin must be at least 890 years old.

3-King Andrew of Hungary,reigned from 1046 until 1061.Coin about 885 years old.

4-King Salomon of Hungary reigned 1063 until 1074 Coin about 870 years old.

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1-Inscr.one side"Rex Stephanus.Rev.s."Panonia"the Roman name of country used at that time
2-Rex Petrus. 3-Rex Andreas.4-Rex Saalomoni.

As a self supporting missionary I can well use additional funds in my work and for this reason may I ask the society whether it would care to purchase the coins herein mentioned kindly stating the amount it would be willing to give in each case.

With christian greetings,
Sincerely yours

Eugene Nagy

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We have 8 different coins of St. Stefan which we bought from a coin-dealer in Vienna at 1 shilling each. We will pay you one dollar for the other three coins of King Peter, King Andrew and King Solomon

May 12, 1933.

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Dear Sir:

Your letter came to hand sometime ago but we were delayed in answering it. We have a number of Hungarian coins of the period that you write about. As far as we know none of them are considered rare, as many have been found in hoards similar to the one you mention. The last lot we purchased was from a coin dealer in Vienna, of whom we bought eight different coins of St. Stefan at 1 schilling each, besides others that we had of these - we have sufficient of St. Stefan. We have only a few of the others. All we could offer you for the ones of Peter, Andrew and Solomon would be $1.00 for the three. I rather imagine this is not sufficient for you to take to bother with but we would take them at that price.

Very truly yours,

HW:JG

Curator